Thursday, February 19, 1885.

W. W. KITCHIN, - - severed my connection as editor.

With last issue of the DEMOCRAT I wish for the paper unbounded success and may it number its volumes by tens and be a criterion by which those ontside of the town and county may judge the town and county. We have formed a very fine opinion of the place and citizens and will ever hold in high fregard those many friends which we have formed in our short residence. We wish Mr. Kitchin, the new editor, success.

Very Resp't., CHAS. E. HASKITT. Democrat Stock Company.

We, the undersigned, having united as joint stock holders, have purchased THE DEMOCRAT, and we now place the paper on a solid basis, with a capital stock sufficient to insure its permanency. We do this through patriotic principles, being interested in the town and community and in the great cruse of democracy as well. And we take this means of assuring the public that this paper shall continue whether it is self-sustaining or not. But it is well known to the publie that no paper can be successful without the hearty cooperation and steady support of the people. Every community ought to be and is able to sustain a first-class newspaper; and the community that fails to do this is rightly considered behind the times and wanting in enterprise. If the paper should fail to be self-sustaining.

holders and editor. We, therefore, appeal to our friends and the public generally to give their support, and thus aid us in the continuance of this enterprise so needful to the community.

it will incur loss both to the stock-

We assure the public that they need not hesitate to patronize the paper either in subscriptions or advertising, for it shall not be allowed to suspend to the disadvantage of subscribers and advertisers.

The politics of the paper is outlined in another column, concerning which we all agree. We again ask the public to aid us in establishing in our midst a first-class paper, and we confidently believe that they will do

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To The Public.

In assuming the responsibility on duties that naturally full to the lot o an inexperienced editor, we true that we have considered well the him drances that obstruct the pathway to success. Now, thinking that our eyeare somewhat open, and knowing that we have substantial grounds on which to base a bright hope, we salute the public and cordially invite all the friends of the DEMOCRAT to lend a helping hand and joyous encouragement to it by continuing their subscriptions and consider it a fair memedium for advertising.Ot course, the the general make up of the DEMOCRAT hereafter will, in no wise, be related

to, or connected with its management

and control in the past.

-As the readers of this issue wil readily perceive, in the card of the stock-holders, a safe guarantee for the continuance and spread of the circulation of the DEMOCRAT, let those who have been hesitating in the least, hesitate no longer but feel free to patronize this enterprise in Scotland Neck. It is impossible for any paper, however energetic may be its director or however potent be "the power behind the throne,' to succeed without, at least, moderate patronage from the citizens of its native community. The News-Observer, last week, echoed an acknowledged fact in saying that "the size of the town has much to do with the circulation of its representative paper." The DEMOCRAT does not expect to equal the New York Herald until Scotland Neck many times doubles its present population, but for all that its future is bright. The Amazon is as small and unnoticed at its source as is the most insignificant stream of the earth.

"What's in a name?" The political channel of the DEMOCRAT is fully embodied in its appellation, as we understand it. As our predecessor, the Commonwealth, which was only our forerunner, was strictly Jeffersonian in its politics, so we shall ever resound the sentiments and attempt al ways to follow in the wake, long since

as far as in as lies, the principles of those who most clearly sanction, the lish trudge through the desert they loctrines of Jefferson and Jackson. frequently propound the favorite The Constitution, strictly construed, we shall accept as our guide. We shall fearlessly oppose all measures, fence law?" both state and national, which we believe to be contrary to the organic blest sense, and not partisan as that

term is generally understood. It shall be the purpose of the DEMockar to encourage anything that tends to the advancement of education, of the arts, of farming interests, of commerce and in fact to promote the community and to reflect the advantages of our locality. We hope to he able to do good to our section of the State and throw credit upon our enterprising town, and on the other hand we hope to receive good from our considerate friends, who recognize the fact that with the advancement of this paper, the best interests of the community, county and State shall also be advanced, and vice versu.

We wish to be considered alive to progress, and we know that we must be to seem to be. To give to the public news from all parts of the State, brighten the homes of the troubled, to give choice reading matter to its subscribers, to frown at anything that partakes of the character of fraud or violence, and to contemn and congroveling; these shall constitute the DEMOCRAT'S joy, and we shall regard ourselves as happy in so acting.

The DEMOCRAT shall be a bold and grade it. resolute denouncer of wrong whether that wrong emanates from the ranks of its foes or of its friends. When we see fit both "prince and pauper" shall be attacked, On all questions of sectional interest we wish to utter the wish of the voters. The Demo CRAT shall continue to be wholesoul ed, liberal-hearted and democratic. In conclusion, we most earnestly ap peal to every public-spirited man and woman in Halifax county and the State to give us their patronage and encouragement in our effort to estab tish a first-class democratic and new paper in the town of Scotland Neck.

> Very truly, W. W. KITCHIN.

Justices of the Peace.

The present Legislature will elecnany Justices of the Peace in cac county. It is very important that ex reme care be exercised and that the vill of the people be scrupulously re parted. We alvise the chair nan o Democratic ex committees to call a secting in each township of their counties to select the successors of hose whose term will expire. The? should then be sent to Raleigh at once. Let the people exercise due men .- Washington Guzette.

Paying Debts.

A christian and an honest man needs no law to make him pay his debts. That spirit of honesty and justice, that every honest man feels, hind legal subtifuges, that were creat ed for the protection of honest men force from him his only hope of main | men. taining a dependent and helpless family, is not a true man, is not a christian .- Kinston Free Press.

We hope the House of Representa ives will not reach the Blair Bill this session. We want to see it continue at wise legislation, but never do we wish to see it have the time to so completely ignore the Constitution as to pass that Bill which so clearly signifies a disregard for the constitu-

the Legislature that Edgecombe is to the main building." have a no fence law, and, perhaps, Halifax too. We would like to cau tion the representatives of Halifax to thoroughly understand the feelings of the citizens, before acting too hastily.

The House of Dakota has passed by a large majority a Woman Suffrage Bill, which was, we should judge, an inwise act, and as such would be considered in North Carolina, but perhaps the women there are slightly different from those of Carolina.

Clippings.

Wilson Mirror: Five thousand pounds of tobacco were sold in Batillustrious, of the Sage of Monticello. I deboro last week at an average of 16 We shall ever encourage and promote, cents. Some sold as high as \$1.80

Tarboro Southerner: As the Engquestion of Capt. Haywood Clark, "What has this to do with the no

Weldon News: About five hundred more bales of cotton were shiplaw of our country. Our paper shall ped from Weldon this season than be democratic in its highest and no- were sent from here during the season of 1883 & 4.

Elizabeth City Fulcon: There are three residents of the town Snowdens proper, all of whom are applicants for government positions-Life Saving Service, Collector Internal Revenue and Light-house Superintendent can be supplied from this small burg.

New Berne Journal : As evidence of the severity of the cold snap that has been upon us for the last few days, yesterday Neuse river was, for about half the distance across on the North side, frozen over.

Warrenton Gazette: Our people seem to be more active, more energet. ic, more industrious, more determined and more hopeful than we ever knew them. It is a cheering sign.

Henderson Gold Leaf : Henderson, as a tobacco market, grows better to shake hands with its progressive with age. She ranks along with the contemporaries and join them in their best in the State, if fine tobacco from glorious efforts to elevate the Old all parts of the country, heavy breaks North State, to welcome progress, to and high prices, are a proper criterion to judge from.

Monroe Express: Wheat and oats re looking very poorly. The outlook at this season has not been as unsatisfactory for years. There is demn anything that we suppose to be yet plenty of time for them to recover and make good crops.

Western Tribune: A Railroad is projected to run from Mt. Holly on We shall sift well and impartially the Carolina Central Railroad to judge the contents of our exchanges. Denver in Lincoln county. The Manand when we differ, our opinion will agement of the C. C. R. R, offers to be voiced in unmistakable larguage. equip the road if the people will

> Kernersville News; When a fellow with red hair, and his pants in his poots rushes into an editors sanctum and savagely calls out, "Are you the boss of this shebang,' it requires a good deal of halting between hope and fear to decide whether he is in search of the fighting edilor or wants to pay his subscription.

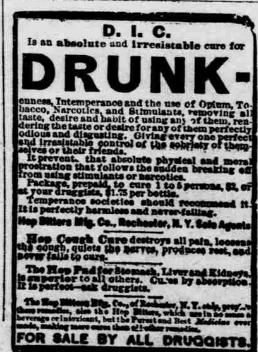
Norfolk Evening News: The spirit of reform is abroad in the land. The North Carolina House of Represeutatives has passed a bill making it a misdemeanor to sell or give cigarettes to a boy under ten years of age, and Virginia boys are hauled up in the primary schools for chewing tobacco.

Wilmington Star: The greatest change of temperature recorded this season took place during Tuesday and Tnesday night, the Star thernometer showing a fall of forty degrees in twenty-four hours ending at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. We ave had numerous sudden jumps his season, but this, we believe, gets head of all of them.

Lenour Topic: Up to date the pubie roads have been remarkably good for the time of year. If the Spring rains continue, however, they will becare and recommend none but good come almost impassable. Let us call upon every overseer to give his section an exceptionally good working as soon as possible before court. The work is much needed.

Eastern Reflector: Wherever you go and meet people who have visited Greenville recently they speak of the makes him pay his debts, law or so rapid improvement and growth of the law. The man who would hide be- town. Greenville has, indeed, made very many marked improvements of late and all that is needed to give the who desire and need protection from town a general boom is a good railthe heartless creditor, who would road and a few more enterprising

News-Observer: The committee appointed to take steps in regard to the sale of the Exposition buildings has been in session here. No conclusion was reached. Another meeting will be held. It is hoped that the main building may yet be spared, and another grand exposition held in the autumn of 1886. When asked about the matter yesterday, Mr. W. S Primrose said: "There will be a general sale of exposition property at a time to be set hereafter. It is not It appears from the proceedings of definitely known what will become of



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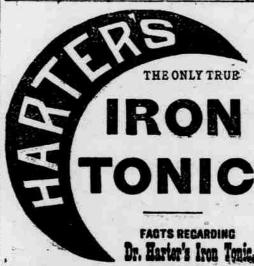
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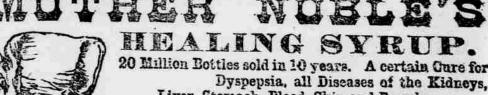
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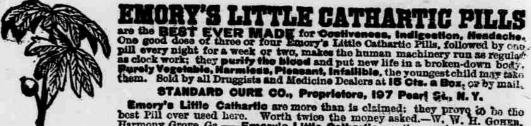
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